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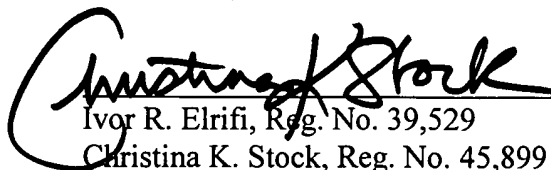
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to respond to the October 6, 2005 Notification to Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. §371 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before May 6, 2006. A check in the amount of \$1,080.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 29004-502 NATL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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